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SUBJ: UN OPI SPOKESMAN ON INDOCHINA APRIL 18

1. STRESSING UN RELIEF ACTIVITIES, UN OPI SPOKESMAN LEWIN  
SPOKE ALONG FOLLOWING LINES ON INDOCHINA APRIL 18:

A) CABLE TO UN HEADQUARTERS LATE ON APRIL 17 INDICATED  
UNDP OFFICE IN PHNOM PENH AGAIN AT WORK WITH LOCAL AND INTER-  
NATIONAL STAFF BACK AT DESKS. ICRC HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL TO  
ALL AT HOTEL LE PHNOM. UN PERSONNEL WORKING ESTABLISH  
RELATIONS WITH NEW AUTHORITIES.

B) TOTAL UN STAFF IN CAMBODIA, NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM  
AND PRG AREAS IS 40. ALL ARE WORKING ON HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMS.

C) HANOI AUTHORITIES PERMITTING UNHCR/UNICEF FLY LARGE  
NUMBER AIR CHARTERS OF VARIOUS REGISTRIES TO HANOI. PRG  
PERMITTING RELIEF DELIVERIES BY SEA TO DANANG.

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D) THREE UNHCR FLIGHTS TO SAIGON HAVE BROUGHT 77 OF 220 TONS RELIEF MATERIALS DUE THERE BY END APRIL. TOTAL INCLUDES 150 TONS MEAT, 50 TONS MILK POWDER, AND 20 TONS ANTIBIOTICS AND VITAMINS. FOR PRG, UNHCR HAS ARRANGED THREE FLIGHTS TAKING 29 OUT OF 323 TONS RELIEF CONSIGNMENTS DUE BY APRIL 30. ALL THIS IN RESPONSE SPECIFIC REQUESTS FROM SAIGON, HANOI, AND PRG. ADDITIONALLY, SHIP IS DUE HAIPHONG FIRST WEEK MAY WITH 360 TONS ROOFING AND 50 TONS LARD.

E) DURING FIRST TWO WEEKS OF RELIEF OPERATION, UNICEF HAS SENT THREE AIR-SHIPMENTS AND TWO SEA-SHIPMENTS FOR PRG AREAS AND SIX AIR-SHIPMENTS AND ONE SEA-SHIPMENT FOR SAIGON.

F) RESPONSE TO SYG'S MARCH 31 APPEAL HAS BEEN JUST OVER \$10 MILLION PLUS \$6 MILLION FROM WORLD FOOD PROGRAM. LEWIN SAID NO RESPONSE AS YET TO SYG'S APRIL 17 APPEAL FOR \$100 MILLION.

G) PRG ESTIMATES SIX MILLION PEOPLE INCLUDING ONE MILLION DISPLACED PERSONS NEED HELP. SAIGON AND HANOI HAVE NOT SUBMITTED ESTIMATES.

H) LEWIN CONFIRMED AS "BASICALLY ACCURATE" APRIL 18 NY TIMES ARTICLE THAT FAO OFFICIAL RAYMOND AUBRAC IS IN HANOI AS WALDHIEM'S REPRESENTATIVE. LEWIN SAID AUBRAC HAS BEEN THERE ABOUT A WEEK. HE DECLINED COMMENT ON SUGGESTION THAT AUBRAC'S MISSION EXTENDS BEYOND STRICTLY HUMANITARIAN MATTERS.  
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